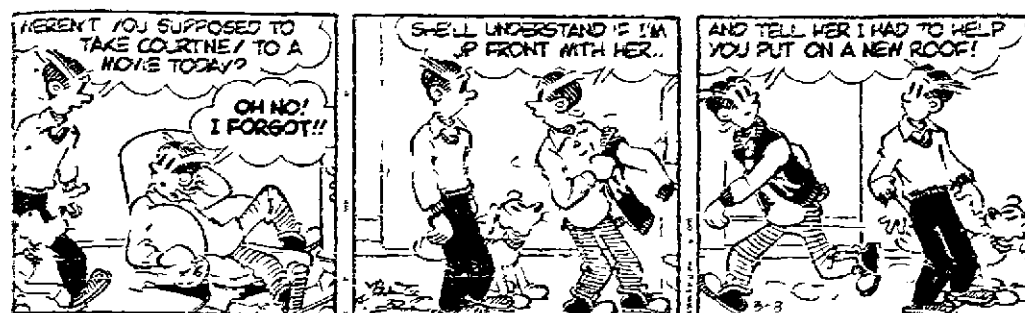


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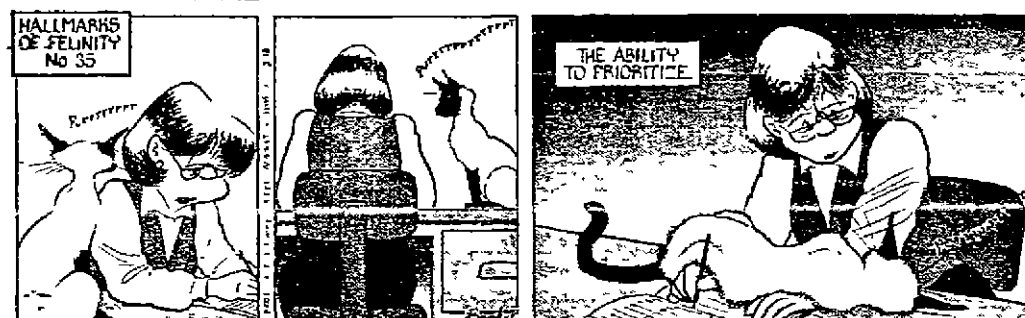
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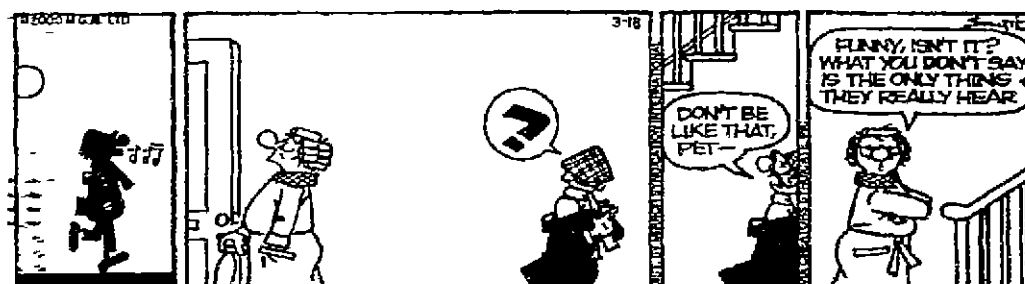
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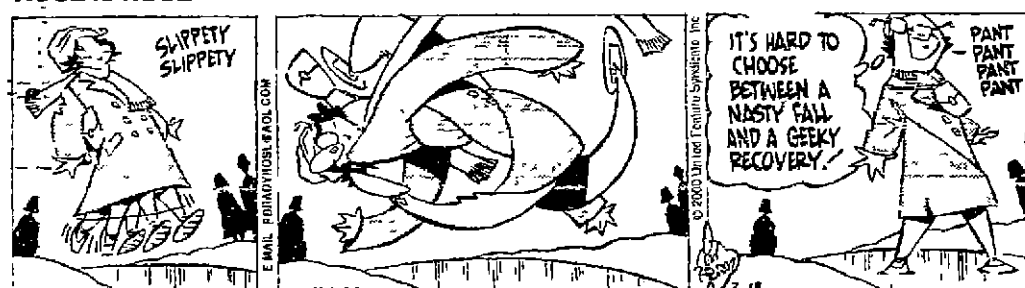
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ANDY CAPP



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HAGAR THE HORRIBLE



MOTHER GOOSE AND GRIMM



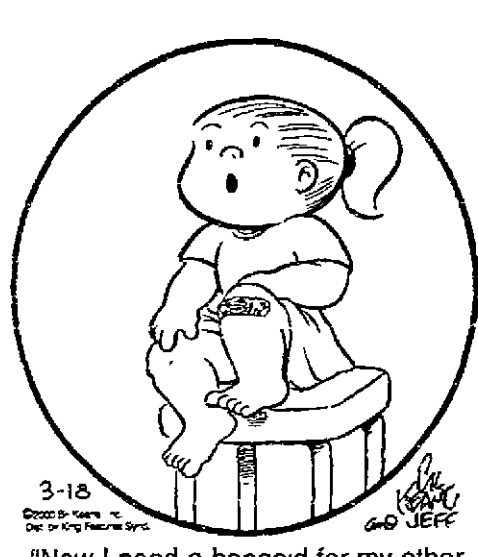
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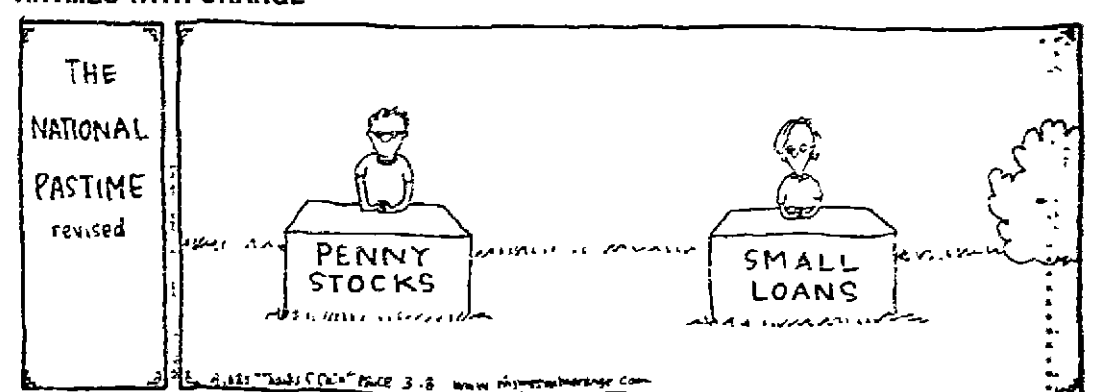
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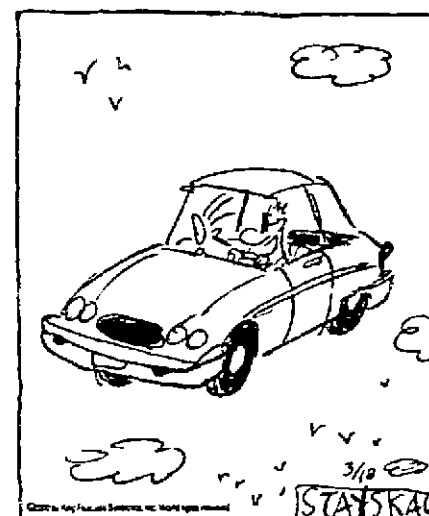
FAMILY CIRCUS



RHYMES WITH ORANGE



RALPH



Today's Birthdays

Actor Peter Graves is 74. Author George Plimpton is 73. Composer John Kander is 73. Author John Updike is 68. Nobel Peace Prize laureate and former South African President F.W. de Klerk is 64. Country singer Charley Pride is 62. Singer Wilson Pickett is 59. Actor Kevin Dobson is 57. Actor Thomas Ian Griffith is 38. Singer-actress Vanessa Williams is 37.

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PAR SCORE 35-45
by JUDD

FOUR RACK TOTAL
TIME LIMIT 20 MIN

DIRECTIONS: Make a 2 to 7 letter word from the letters in each row. Add points of each word using scoring directions at right. 7 letter words get 50-point bonus. "Blanks" used as any letter have no point value. A. Judd's words are in The Official Scrabble Players Dictionary (Harcourt-Webster) and OSW Official Scrabble Words (Chambers). JUDD'S SOLUTION TOMORROW 3-18-00 ©2000 United Feature Syndicate, Inc.

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THINGS WE LIGHT

R X V S Q N S K I F D A E X V
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U R K P H N L J H F O D B O G
Z X V C I G A R E T T E T R R
Q O T M A K N Y S R A G I C I
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Q A O N M I K T A I J I F A B
L H F E P D B E R I F P M A C

Friday's unlisted clue: HOLMES
Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions—forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.
Saturday's unlisted clue hint: USED FOR BAKING

A fire	Candles	Grill	Stove
A room	Cigarette	Lantern	The way
Bonfire	Cigars	Matches	Torch
Campfire	Firecracker	Pipe	

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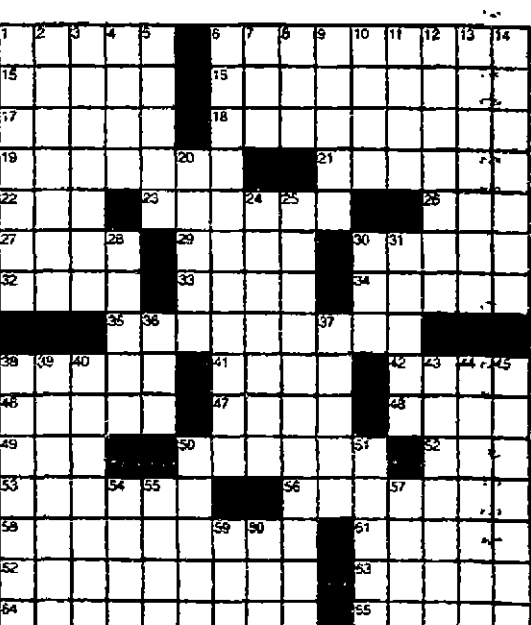
N.Y. TIMES CROSSWORD

No. 0205

- ACROSS
- 1 Tunable drum
6 Popular program in Huntsville, Ala.
15 Outfit
16 Light-mindedness?
17 Bat alternative
18 Puts in a jug
19 Install, as flooring
21 Mount first climbed in 1829
22 Actress Meyers
23 Mixer
26 It may follow you
27 Navel buildup
29 Scythes
30 Steve ___ in "Family Matters"
- 32 Titicaca is one
33 Genesis grandson
34 Gun emplacements
35 Drink in a frosted glass
38 Rubber, so to speak
41 Colendage work
42 Henchmen
46 "What ___" ("That was rad")
47 Red sky, perhaps
48 Big jerk
49 Syndicate
50 "No problemo"
52 Ashram founder's title
53 Primitive
- 56 24/7
58 Environs
61 Knot
62 Kamasutra focus
63 Very perceptive
64 Consciousness
65 Knife, maybe
- DOWN
- 1 Revelatory
2 Bubble sites
3 Graveyard-shift work?
4 Schubert composition
5 Lhasa ___ (dogs)
6 Political flock's duty
7 Poe character
Arthur Gordon
8 Ernst colleague
9 Necklace stuff
10 OPEC V.I.P.
11 Famika dwelling
12 Eskimo-inspired wear
13 Cairo skyline feature
14 Mellow tones
20 19th Amendment beneficiaries
24 Mt. Sumbach site
25 What a fugitive may live under
28 Volumes

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

SAFE AMNIO TIFF
ALIT PAEAN ORAL
NARC PRUNEJUICE
KNEEPANTS APNEA
STALER SWEARS
CATERS ADOBE
AHORA BLEAR TWA
LARAMIE PREQUEL
IBM ECLAT AURAL
SCOLD SKINNY
DANCIN JULEPS
ELIHU SUPERSTAR
RECOMPENSE TINA
BREN FACET ELON
YOURE CUTTY REIND



30 Godard's "Femme Manoe"
31 Service, as debt
36 Relative of -esque
37 Slow, to a maestro
38 Treats in nukes
39 Mesabi yield
40 Fateful crossing point
43 Pan's Institut
44 Traveling

45 Pilot
52 Candied, in cookery
51 Ready
54 Stone, co-creator of "South Park"

55 Others: Lat.
57 Director Vittorio De
59 One-thousandth of a yen
60 PC key

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